



sector

PTO/SB/22 (10-00)  
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		<b>Docket Number (Optional)</b> <b>965-3</b>																			
In re Application of <b>Thomson Alexander</b>																					
Application Number <b>09/781,482</b>		Filed <b>2/12/01</b>																			
For <b>ACCESS OPENING CLOSURE DEVICE</b>																					
Group Art Unit <b>3627</b>		Examiner <b>Unassigned</b>																			
<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <table><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td>\$ <b>110.00</b></td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td>\$ _____</td></tr></table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ <b>55.00</b>.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <b>04-1121</b>.</p> <p>I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) _____.</p> <p><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></p> <table><tr><td><u>June 19, 2001</u></td><td><u>Christopher G. Trainor</u></td></tr><tr><td>Date</td><td>Signature</td></tr><tr><td><b>06/26/2001 JAD001 00000060 09781482</b></td><td><b>Christopher G. Trainor</b></td></tr><tr><td><b>01 FC:215 55.00 OP</b></td><td>Typed or printed name</td></tr></table> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of <b>1</b> forms are submitted.</p>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ <b>110.00</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ _____	<u>June 19, 2001</u>	<u>Christopher G. Trainor</u>	Date	Signature	<b>06/26/2001 JAD001 00000060 09781482</b>	<b>Christopher G. Trainor</b>	<b>01 FC:215 55.00 OP</b>	Typed or printed name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ <b>110.00</b>																				
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ _____																				
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ _____																				
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$ _____																				
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ _____																				
<u>June 19, 2001</u>	<u>Christopher G. Trainor</u>																				
Date	Signature																				
<b>06/26/2001 JAD001 00000060 09781482</b>	<b>Christopher G. Trainor</b>																				
<b>01 FC:215 55.00 OP</b>	Typed or printed name																				

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postpaid in an envelope, addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on June 19, 2001.

Dated: June 19, 2001

Christopher G. Trainor  
Christopher G. Trainor